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Name	Firm	Practice Area 1	Practice Area 2	Practice Area 3	Hourly Rate	Case Name	Date
Rädke, Kirk A.	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	Corporate			\$1,250	Reader's Digest Association Inc	2010
Taplin, Ian	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	Tax			\$1,220	Vision Corp.	2010
Schmidt, Gerhard	Weil, Gotshal	Finance	Corporate	Mergers and Acquisition	\$1,165	Aegis International	2010
Gon, Michelle Y.L.	Baker McKenzie	Real Estate	Mergers and Acquisition	Intellectual Property	\$1,163	Motor Liquidation Company	2010
Shuster, Andrew	Cleary Gottlieb	Bankruptcy			\$1,160	Truvo	2010
McDonald, Michael	Cleary Gottlieb	Corporate	Mergers and Acquisition		\$1,160	Truvo	2010
Vandermaelen, Dirk	Cleary Gottlieb	Environmental Litigation	Litigation		\$1,130	Truvo	2010
Reidig, Jacques	Cleary Gottlieb	Bankruptcy	Mergers and Acquisition	Equities	\$1,130	Truvo	2010
McArdle, Wayne P.	Grebon Dunn	Corporate			\$1,110	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
DuBois, Pierre/André	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	Intellectual Property			\$1,105	Reader's Digest Association Inc	2010
Scheler, Brad	Fried Frank	Bankruptcy			\$1,100	Station's Casino	2010
Lewin-Smith, Guy	Debevoise & Plimpton LLP	Corporate			\$1,080	MG Inc	2010
Brown, Michael	Jones Day	Finance	Litigation	Regulatory	\$1,075	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Coffey, Lee	Jones Day	Litigation	International Law	Energy	\$1,075	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Stueck, Barnaby C.	Jones Day	Bankruptcy			\$1,075	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Kieran, Michael A.	Gibson Dunn	Litigation			\$1,075	Almeda	2010
Brockway, David	Bingham McCutchen	Corporate			\$1,065	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Mejia, John B.	Bingham McCutchen	Tax			\$1,065	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Nelson, William F.	Bingham McCutchen	Tax			\$1,065	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Pistillo, Bernie	Shearman & Sterling LLP	Tax			\$1,065	Worldspace	2010
Meyerson, Lee	Simpson Thacher	Capital Markets	Mergers and Acquisition		\$1,050	Washington Mutual	2010
Nesgos, Peter	Milbank Tweed	Finance			\$1,050	Sea Launch Company	2010
Clayton, Lewis	Paul Weiss	Intellectual Property			\$1,050	SP Wind Down Inc	2010
Flieder, Robert	Paul Weiss	Labor and Employment			\$1,050	SP Wind Down Inc	2010
Robbenberg, Peter	Paul Weiss	Corporate	Tax		\$1,050	SP Wind Down Inc	2010
Boronksy, Kenneth J.	Milbank Tweed	Bankruptcy	Mergers and Acquisition	Secured Litigation	\$1,050	Station's Casino	2010
Palmer, Daryok A.	Cadwalader	Finance	Bankruptcy	Mergers and Acquisition	\$1,050	Lyondell Chemical Company	2010
Aronzon, Paul	Milbank Tweed	Bankruptcy			\$1,050	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010

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Bray, Gregory	Milbank Tweed	Bankruptcy			\$1,050	Midway Games Inc	2010
Duhns, Dennis	Milbank Tweed	Bankruptcy			\$1,050	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Schiff, Kenneth E.	Wells Fargo	Mergers and Acquisitions			\$1,030	Excedrin Stay Inc	2010
Kar, Partha	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	Bankruptcy			\$1,030	Reader's Digest Association Inc	2010
Budd, Thomas M.	Gibson Dunn	Finance			\$1,027	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Moore, Robert Jay	Milbank Tweed	Bankruptcy			\$1,025	Calm Jumper	2010
Dakin-Grimm, Linda	Milbank Tweed	Litigation			\$1,025	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Davis, Trayton M.	Milbank Tweed	Finance	Bankruptcy	Investment Funds Litigation	\$1,025	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Grushkin, Jay D.	Milbank Tweed	International Law	Finance	Transportation	\$1,025	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Heller, David S.	Lehman Walmsley	Bankruptcy			\$1,025	In re: NEC Holdings Corp.	2010
Hirschfeld, Michael	Milbank Tweed	Tax	Real Estate	Finance	\$1,025	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Majdab, Palmer	Milbank Tweed	Finance			\$1,025	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Tonback, Andrew E.	Milbank Tweed	Litigation	Finance		\$1,025	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Sharp, Richard	Milbank Tweed	Litigation			\$1,025	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Clowry, Kent J.K.	Paul Hastings	Corporate			\$1,021	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Eager, Mark J.	Paul Hastings	Real Estate			\$1,021	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
O'Sullivan, Honan P.	Paul Hastings	Corporate	Real Estate		\$1,021	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Unger, Richard S.	Cleary Gottlieb	Corporate	Finance	Mergers and Acquisition	\$1,020	Truvo	2010
Danban, James A.	Cleary Gottlieb	Finance	Tax		\$1,020	Truvo	2010
Passino, James	Cleary Gottlieb	Tax			\$1,020	Truvo	2010
Gorin, William F.	Cleary Gottlieb	Corporate	Government	Capital Markets	\$1,020	Truvo	2010
Moloney, Thomas J.	Cleary Gottlieb	Bankruptcy	Litigation	Finance	\$1,020	Truvo	2010

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Aleksander, Nicholas P.B.	Gibson Dunn	Tax			\$1,018	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Roche, Philip	Gibson Dunn	Litigation			\$1,018	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Thomas, Andrew S.V.	Gibson Dunn	Corporate			\$1,018	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Blyth, Mark	Linklaters	Litigation			\$1,018	Nortel Networks	2010
Cox, Tim	Linklaters	Corporate			\$1,018	Nortel Networks	2010
Sachdev, Neal V.	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	Corporate			\$1,015	Viasat Corp.	2010
Mayo, David	Paul Weiss	Tax			\$1,015	8P Wind Down Inc	2010
Cohen, Joel	Gibson Dunn	Bankruptcy			\$1,014	Airbus	2010
Sullivan, Peter	Gibson Dunn	Intellectual Property	Litigation		\$1,014	Airbus	2010
Trinstein, Jeffrey	Gibson Dunn	Tax	Employee Benefits	Energy	\$1,014	Airbus	2010
Vance, Janet L.	Gibson Dunn	Finance	Corporate		\$1,014	Airbus	2010
Buffone, Steven P.	Gibson Dunn	Energy	Corporate	Finance	\$1,000	Airbus	2010
Jowitt, Justin S.	Paul Hastings	Finance			\$1,004	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Gander, Fred R.	Dewey LeBoeuf LLP	Finance	Tax	Corporate	\$1,000	Ambac	2010
Vyskocil, Mary Kay	Simpson Thacher	Insurance	Litigation		\$1,000	Washington Mutual	2010
Brown, Alvin	Simpson Thacher	Employee Benefits	Executive Compensation		\$1,000	American Safety Razor Company	2010
Etherton, Upame	Well Goshal	Mergers and Acquisitions			\$1,000	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Mc Cahill, Dominic T.	Well Goshal	Bankruptcy			\$1,000	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Tringali, Joseph F.	Simpson Thacher	Litigation	Antitrust	Intellectual Property	\$1,000	American Safety Razor Company	2010
Francis, Michael	Well Goshal	Mergers and Acquisitions			\$1,000	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Keller, Andy	Simpson Thacher	Corporate	Energy		\$1,000	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Nave, Douglas	Well Goshal	Antitrust	Finance	Mergers and Acquisition	\$1,000	Motors Liquidation Company	2010
Norwood, Andrew R.	Well Goshal	Finance			\$1,000	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Ohringer, Barry R.	Simpson Thacher	Litigation			\$1,000	Washington Mutual	2010
Herspool, Anthony	Well Goshal	Bankruptcy			\$1,000	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Kelly, Jacky	Well Goshal	Bankruptcy	Finance		\$1,000	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Nicoll, Michael	Well Goshal	Bankruptcy	Finance	Equities	\$1,000	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Chamland, Matthew	Well Goshal	Alternative Dispute Resolution			\$1,000	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc	2010
Martin, Stefan	Allen & Overy LLP	Labor and Employment			\$1,152	BearingPoint	2009

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Huber, John J.	Latham Watkins	Capital Markets			\$1,120	Avista Technology	2009
Reynolds, Michael	Allen & Overy LLP	Mergers and Acquisitions			\$1,111	Chemtura Corp.	2009
Norley, Lyndon E.	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	Bankruptcy			\$1,110	Chemtura Corp.	2009
Norley, Lyndon E.	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	Bankruptcy			\$1,100	Reader's Digest Association Inc	2009
Reiss, John M.	White & Case	Mergers and Acquisitions	Equities		\$1,100	Hearland Automobile Holdings	2009
Grissip, Stephen	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	Corporate			\$1,080	Chemtura Corp.	2009
Nakata, Nobuo	Allen & Overy LLP	Corporate			\$1,077	BearingPoint	2009
Brown, Stephen	Latham Watkins	Employee Benefits			\$1,085	Avista Technology	2009
Chanda, Kenneth D. C.	Latham Watkins	Mergers and Acquisitions			\$1,085	Avista Technology	2009
Finn, Sean	Latham Watkins	Tax			\$1,085	Avista Technology	2009
Safra, Lawrence	Latham Watkins	Finance			\$1,085	Avista Technology	2009
Verburg, Leichard	Allen & Overy LLP	Labor and Employment			\$1,085	BearingPoint	2009
Lee-Lim, Jiyeon	Latham Watkins	International Law	Tax		\$1,085	Spanos	2009
Pistillo, Bernie	Shearman & Sterling LLP	Tax			\$1,085	Worldspice	2009
Selder, Michael A.	Latham Watkins	Bankruptcy			\$1,085	Spanos	2009
Stokke, Christensen	Allen & Overy LLP	Corporate			\$1,082	BearingPoint	2009
Pohl, Timothy	Skadden	Bankruptcy	Litigation		\$1,050	Verasun Energy Corporation	2009
Lauria, Thomas	White & Case	Bankruptcy			\$1,050	Global Safety Textiles	2009
Mulaney, Charles W.	Skadden	Mergers and Acquisitions			\$1,060	Harmark	2009
Rosen, Matthew A.	Skadden	Tax			\$1,050	Harmark	2009
Zininsky, Bruce	Cadwalader	Bankruptcy			\$1,050	TH Agriculture	2009

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Milince, J. Gregory	Skadden	Bankruptcy			\$1,050	Interstate Bakeries	2009
Braun, Ellen	Allen & Overy LLP	Antitrust			\$1,038	Chemtura Corp.	2009
Stroll, Neal	Skadden	Antitrust			\$1,035	Vivintus Energy Corporation	2009
Hayman, Linda G.	Skadden	Corporate	Mergers and Acquisition		\$1,035	Interstate Bakeries	2009
Neckles, Peter J.	Skadden	Finance			\$1,032	Interstate Bakeries	2009
MacLachlan, James	Baker, McKenzie	Tax			\$1,029	Unisys	2009
Keck, Colleen	Allen & Overy LLP	Corporate	Intellectual Property		\$1,028	BearingPoint	2009
Keltner, Eileen	Allen & Overy LLP	Mergers and Acquisitions			\$1,028	BearingPoint	2009
Fouillet, Francois	Vinson & Elkins	Capital Markets	Energy	International Law	\$1,028	MF Holding US LLC and Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors	2009
Reivman, David	Skadden	Tax			\$1,026	Mark IV Industries	2009
Davenport II, Kirk	Latham & Watkins	Capital Markets			\$1,025	Dayton Superior	2009
Clayton, Lewis	Paul Weiss	Intellectual Property			\$1,025	Tronox	2009
Fleiss, Peter	Paul Weiss	Real Estate			\$1,025	Tronox	2009
Kornberg, Alan	Paul Weiss	Bankruptcy			\$1,025	Tronox	2009
Schimek, Terry	Paul Weiss	Finance			\$1,025	Tronox	2009
Smith, Mark	Skadden	Corporate			\$1,013	Mark IV Industries	2009
Hyde, Mark	Citford Chance	Bankruptcy			\$1,008	Lycos Chemical Company	2009
Butlers, James	Citford Chance	Mergers and Acquisitions			\$1,006	Lycos Chemical Company	2009
Saferson, Jeffrey	Paul Weiss	Bankruptcy			\$1,005	Samsonite Company	2009
Meyerson, Lee	Simpson Thacher	Capital Markets	Mergers and Acquisition		\$1,000	Washington Mutual	2009
Finley, John	Simpson Thacher	Mergers and Acquisitions			\$1,000	Lehman Brothers Holding Inc.	2009
Gover, Alan	White & Case	Bankruptcy			\$1,000	Hospital Partners	2009

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